

SIKKIM

1977-78

Administration : The State Archives is under the administrative control of the Department of Cultural Affairs and the Deputy Director is incharge of the State Archives. The Archives Department is being organized in all its facets. During the period under report a type writer and a xerox machine were purchased while proposal to purchase a vacuum cleaner was finalised. Proposal for the inspection of records and liaison with different Departments, Divisional, District and other Offices was approved. Proposals for the purchase of lamination machine, microfilm reader, carton boxes, starting a short term course in Archives-Keeping, renting a building for archives and purchase of reference publications are under consideration of the government.

Budget : During the period under report, provision of Rs. 0.75 lakh (both for Archives and Museum) was made on plan side out of which a sum of Rs. 68,583.47 was spent. For 1978-79, provision of Rs. 0.80 lakh both for archives and museum has been made.

Building : The State Archives has no building of its own. Construction of the building is under active consideration of the Government.

Record Management : Necessary instructions were issued to various departments concerning weeding of records. The proposal to issue an Archival Policy Resolution is under consideration of the Government.

Research and Reference :	} The work will be taken up when the Archives is organised.
Reference Media :	
Publication Programme :	
Preservation of Records :	

Photo-Duplication : The proposal to acquire microfilm unit is being mooted out.

Library : During the period under report 260 books were acquired.

TAMIL NADU

1976-77

Administration : Consequent on the transfer of Thiru L. M. Vasagam, I.A.S., Thiru M. K. Gomethagavelu, I.A.S., assumed charge of the post of Commissioner of Archives and Historical Research, Tamil Nadu Archives on 9th July, 1976 (Forenoon) and continued in the post during the period under report. Thiru S. Singarajan, M. A., M. Litt., continued to be the Director of Archives and Thiru V. Kunhikannan Nair, continued to be the Assistant Director of Archives, Tamil Nadu Archives.

Proposals for installation of microfilm unit in the Tamil Nadu Archives and imparting training in Record Management to the person in-charge of record rooms of the various government offices/quasi government offices etc., were also submitted to Government during the period under report.

Budget : For 1976-77 a sum of Rs. 16,61,728 was spent out of the budget provision of Rs. 20,53,000 on the non plan side. There was no provision made on the plan side. For 1977-78 a provision of Rs. 14,44,000 is made on the non plan side.

Building : The construction of additional building sanctioned by the Government for accommodating the vaccum fumigation chamber and Lamination machine imported from U.S.A. has since been completed.

Record Management : There was no progress in this regard.

Research and Reference : 134 scholars availed themselves of the research facilities, 41,980 records by government agencies and 14,981 records by research scholars were requisitioned, 944 queries from private agencies were attended to.

Reference Media : The proposal for the preparation of reference media has been approved by the government and this is expected to be put through during this year.

Publication Programme : Indexes of Public and Judicial Departments, 1900—47 (the period earmarked for the publication of Select Documents) were examined. The papers on the subject "Neill Statue Satyagraha" were examined and selected for publication. Another subject 'Tinnevely Conspiracy, Tinnevely Riots and Ashe Murder Case' has also been selected for publication.

Preservation of Records : During the period under review 1,42,061 sheets were repaired, 1,41,559 sheets were guarded and 2,640 volum books and registers were bound.

Photo-Duplication : The State Archives has no microfilming units of its own.

Library : 621 books were acquired during the year under reference.

Other Activities : The Council of Historical Research for Tamil Nadu was reconstituted in June, 1976 by the Government of Tamil Nadu. A meeting of the reconstituted Council was held in November, 1976.

TAMIL NADU

1977-78

Administration : Consequent on the transfer of Thiru M. K. Gome-thagavelu, I.A.S. Thiru A. N. Natarajan, I.A.S. assumed charge as Commissioner of Archives and Historical Research, Tamil Nadu Archives on 12th December, 1977 and continued to hold the post during the period under report. Thiru S. Singarajan, M.A.M. Litt., continued to be the Director of Archives and Thiru Valaragal V. Kunhikannan Nair and T. S. Visvesan, continued to be the Assistant Directors of Archives. A separate establishment for separation of records relating to Andhra Pradesh was formed in March 1978.

A proposal for the installation of a microfilm unit in Archives was submitted to government which is under consideration. Proposals for the Sixth Five-Year Plan schemes, relating to the construction of a separate building for Archives Library and a Regional Repository at Madurai and the staff requirements for the Regional Repository were submitted to the Government.